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Atlanta, GA -- Kentucky authorities were advised today that extensive sampling and analyses of chemical wastes from three Louisville dumping sites indicate that based on data collected so far there is no immediate health threat to area residents.

Environmental Protection Agency officials announced the testing results at a meeting in Atlanta with Eugene F. Mooney, Secretary of the Kentucky Department for Natural Resources and Environmental Protection.

EPA's Regional Enforcement Division Director Paul J. Traina, said more than 600 laboratory analyses were conducted from 160 samples taken at the dump sites which are commonly referred to as the Farm, the Brickyard, and the Valley of the Drums.

Samples were taken from groundwater, drinking water, surface water, aquatic organisms, and sediments at the three locations.

The testing uncovered low levels of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's) in sediment samples taken from the Valley of the Drums.

"EPA and the State are concerned about the presence of PCB's and will undertake additional monitoring to determine the source of the chemical compound," Mr. Traina said.

Mooney reviewed State plans aimed at cleaning up the Valley site and will discuss them at a press conference next week in Frankfort.



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